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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Koji SHIMIZU

Application No.: 09/941,679

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Docket No.: 110490

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For: SUCTION NOZZLE, METHOD OF DETECTING HOLD POSITION OF ELECTRIC COMPONENT, METHODS OF DETECTING BENDING AND ANGULAR POSITION OF SUCTION PIPE, AND ELECTRIC-COMPONENT HANDLING DEVICE

REQUEST FOR CONSOLIDATED EXAMINATION BY THE SAME EXAMINER

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The above-identified new patent application is one of a series of related patent applications filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. A list of the related applications is attached.

For efficiency in examination, applicants request that all of these related applications be assigned to the same Examiner for examination. Applicants request that the references cited during examination in each of the related applications be considered in all related applications.

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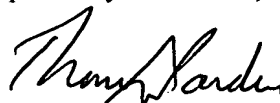
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO-1449. Unless otherwise indicated herein, one copy of each reference is attached. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

- ☒ 1. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (a) within three months of the U.S. filing date of this non-CPA application, OR (b) before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the present application. No certification or fee is required.
- ☒ 2. A concise explanation of the relevance of the non-English language reference is attached hereto.

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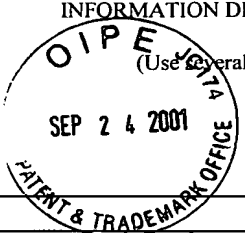
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